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the functions of the Coast Guard, which in general terms are maritime law enforcement, saving and protecting life and property, safeguarding navigation on the high seas and navigable waters of the United States, and readiness for military operations, is delegated to the District Commander by the Commandant. In turn delegations of final authority run from the District Commander to commanding officers of units under the District Commander for the performance of the functions of law enforcement, patrol of marine regattas and parades, and the saving of life and property which come within the scope of their activities.

[CGFR 48-72, 13 FR 9330, Dec. 31, 1948]

§ 1.01-20 Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection.

(a) Officers in Charge, Marine Inspection (OCMI), have been designated and delegated to perform, within each OCMI's jurisdiction, the following functions: Inspection of vessels in order to determine that they comply with the applicable laws, rules, and regulations relating to safe construction, equipment, manning, and operation and that they are in a seaworthy condition for the services in which they are operated; shipyard and factory inspections; the investigation of marine casualties and accidents; the licensing, certificating, shipment and discharge of seamen; the investigating and initiating of action in cases of misconduct, negligence, or incompetence of merchant marine officers or seamen; and the enforcement of vessel inspection. navigation, and seamen's laws in general. Specific procedures for appealing the decisions of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, or of his subordinates are set forth in 46 CFR parts 1 to

- (b) The Commanding Officer of the National Maritime Center has been designated and delegated the same authority as an OCMI for the purpose of carrying out the following marine safety functions pursuant to the provisions of 46 CFR Subchapter B:
- (1) Licensing, credentialing, certificating, shipment and discharge of seamen;
- (2) Referring to the processing Regional Examination Center (REC) or

cognizant OCMI potential violations of law, negligence, misconduct, unskill-fulness, incompetence or misbehavior of persons holding merchant mariner's documents, licenses, certificates or credentials issued by the Coast Guard, and recommending suspension or revocation under 46 U.S.C. Chapter 77 when deemed appropriate; and

(3) Granting, withholding, suspending, or withdrawing course approvals

[CGFR 48–72, 13 FR 9330, Dec. 31, 1948; as amended by USCG–1998–3799, 63 FR 35525, June 30, 1998; USCG–2006–25535, 72 FR 7929, Feb. 22, 2007]

§1.01–30 Captains of the Port.

Captains of the Port and their representatives enforce within their respective areas port safety and security and marine environmental protection regulations, including, without limitation, regulations for the protection and security of vessels, harbors, and waterfront facilities; anchorages; security zones; safety zones; regulated navigation areas; deepwater ports; water pollution; and ports and waterways safety.

[CGD-225, 59 FR 66484, Dec. 27, 1994]

§ 1.01-40 Delegation to the Vice Commandant.

The Commandant delegates to the Vice Commandant authority to take final agency action under 46 CFR part 5, Subparts I, J and K on each petition to reopen a hearing and on each appeal from a decision of an Administrative Law Judge, except on petition or appeal in a case in which an order of revocation has been issued. This delegation does not prevent the Vice Commandant from acting as Commandant, as prescribed in 14 U.S.C. 47(a), for all purposes of 46 CFR part 5.

[CGD 85–071, 51 FR 22805, June 23, 1986, as amended by CGD 97–023, 62 FR 33361, June 19, 1997]

§ 1.01-50 Delegation to District Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District.

The Commandant redelegates to the District Commander, Seventeenth Coast Guard District, the authority in 46 U.S.C. 3302(i)(1) to issue permits to

certain vessels transporting cargo, including bulk fuel, from one place in Alaska to another place in Alaska.

[USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35525, June 30, 1998]

§1.01-60 Delegations for issuance of bridge permits.

- (a) The Commandant delegates to the Assistant Commandant for Operations, the authority to issue the following permits for the construction, reconstruction, or alteration of bridges across navigable waters of the United States:
 - (1) Those that require:
- (i) An environmental assessment or environmental impact statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and all implementing regulations, orders, and instructions.
- (ii) A determination under section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (49 U.S.C. 1653).
- (iii) Concurrence of the Department of Transportation under DOT Order 5610.1C (Procedures for Considering Environmental Impacts).
- (2) Those that require a Presidential permit and approval under the International Bridge Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 535)
- (3) Those that require the amendment of an existing permit issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- (4) Those that raise substantial unresolved controversy involving the public, or are objected to by Federal, State, or local government agencies.
- (5) Those authorized by the Commandant upon the appeal of a district commander's decision denying a permit.
- (b) The Commandant delegates to each Coast Guard District Commander, with the reservation that this authority shall not be further redelegated, the authority to issue all permits for the construction, reconstruction, or alteration of bridges across navigable waters of the United States other than those specified in paragraph (a) of this section.

[CGD 80-099, 46 FR 38353, July 27, 1981; 46 FR 42268, Aug. 20, 1981, as amended by CGD 88-052, 53 FR 25119, July 1, 1988; CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33662, June 28, 1996; CGD 97-023, 62 FR 33361, June 19, 1997]

§ 1.01-70 CERCLA delegations.

- (a) For the purpose of this section, the definitions in section 101 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96–510), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99–499), apply. The Act, as amended, is referred to in this section as CERCLA.
- (b) The Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection (G-M) is delegated authority to take remedial action involving vessels under section 104 of CERCLA.
- (c) Each Maintenance and Logistics Commander is delegated contract authority, consistent with each memorandum of understanding between the Coast Guard and the Environmental Protection Agency regarding CERCLA funding mechanisms, for the purpose of carrying out response actions pursuant to CERCLA sections 104(a), 104(b), 104(f), 104(g), 105(f), and 122.
- (d) Each district commander is delegated authority as follows:
- (1) Authority, pursuant to CERCLA section 106(a), to determine an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health or welfare or the environment because of an actual or threatened release of a hazardous substance from a facility, and to secure such relief as may be necessary to abate such danger or threat through the United States attorney of the district in which the threat occurs.
- (2) Authority, pursuant to section 109 of CERCLA, to assess penalties relating to violations of sections 103 (a) and (b) pertaining to notification requirements, section 108 pertaining to financial responsibility for release of hazardous substances from vessels, and section 122 pertaining to administrative orders and consent decrees.
- (3) Authority, pursuant to section 108 of CERCLA, to deny entry to any port or place in the United States or to the navigable waters of the United States and detain at any port or place in the United States any vessel subject to section 108(a) of CERCLA that, upon request, does not provide evidence of financial responsibility.
- (e) Subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12580, and paragraph (g) of